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March 25, 2003

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 44275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: <u>APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING</u>.

Hosston B Zone, SIBLEY FIELD, Webster Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

NELSON ENERGY, INC. ("Applicant"), hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Hosston B Zone in the Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize its Burson 28 No. 1 Well as the unit well for HOSS B SUM at the location shown on an attached plat, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order 148-J, effective February 1, 1972.
- 2. To find that the proposed well is necessary to efficiently and economically drain a portion of the Hosston B Zone underlying HOSS B SUM which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well on the unit.
 - 3. To designate Nelson Energy, Inc., as operator of HOSS B SUM.
- 4. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Hosston B Zone in the Sibley Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana, is fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 148-J, effective February 1, 1972.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Nelson Energy, Inc., 401 Edwards Street, Suite 1500, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101-3140. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Danny Moreland at (318) 226-0700 during normal business hours in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data which is not otherwise available from the Office of Conservation can be obtained from Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

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As provided by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore, no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the aforesaid Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom notice of this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties. A copy of this letter and of the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Shreveport District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting of a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause publication of the Legal Notice in a newspaper published in the general area of Sibley Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Furthermore, Applicant will mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties promptly upon receipt of the Legal Notice from the Commissioner.

Finally, enclosed herewith is our check payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee.

> Yours very truly, birdh. Amelley

Attorney for Nelson Energy, Inc.

DLS:dp **Enclosures**

Mr. Jim Broussard (w/encls.) cc:

Mr. Danny Moreland (w/encls.)

Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (w/plat only)

